



Lakewood Animal Safety Welfare Advisory Board

January 21, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Location: Jury Room at Lakewood City Hall

Present: Board Members: Melissa Limkemann, Juleen Russell, Celeste Blau, Nancy Patterson, Jeremy Soditch, Diane Gorsek, Councilperson Cindy Marx

Not Present: Board Members: Karolyn Isenhart, Nancy Patterson, Jack Crawford, Kara Vlach-Lasher, Dr. Bo Rog

Animal Safety & Welfare Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

In attendance: Board members: Melissa Limkemann, Juleen Russell, Celeste Blau, Nancy Patterson, Jeremy Soditch, Diane Gorsek, Councilperson Cindy Marx and public attendees: Rebecca Austin and Tom Fisher

I. Welcomes & Introductions – Melissa Limkemann

Melissa opened meeting, welcomed everyone and initiated introductions. We welcomed our newest member, Diane Gorsek, who is replacing outgoing Kim McCarty as Councilman Tom Bullock's appointee.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes – Board

The November minutes were approved with notations for typos.

III. Spay/Neuter Day

- We reached the maximum number of appointments for the clinic held in September 2014. There were a few no shows and a few walk ups. We were able to get one of them in for surgery that day. Petfix said ours was fabulous, especially for a first time event. They said that typically first time events do not fill up all the appointments.
- Cindy said the City would like to continue this program as an annual one.
- We will check with Petfix to see if we can secure annual date and check into "waiting list" for anyone who calls after all the appointments are filled.

IV. LASWAB Brochure Initiative/Update

- We would like the brochures ready for Welcome to Lakewood on April 29th
- Karolyn Isenhart was not in attendance. Melissa spoke with her before our meeting and Karolyn is working on getting a draft to us this week for our input. It will also get CCLAS input. Then it will go to Council for their approval.

- Juleen will get quotes for printing from Adkins Printing. They did our 2011 brochure and our 2014 Spay / Neuter day printing. Juleen will get numbers for different quantities and styles.
- Juleen passed around a pamphlet that was at the 2014 “Welcome to Lakewood” event: Guide to Responsible Pet Ownership by Lakewood Police Department Animal Control. It was a double sided, black/white on yellow copy paper, bi-fold.
- Cindy said maybe we can use this for the upcoming Landlord/Tenant meeting. Juleen will scan and email it to the group.
- We will try and find out who did these and who has them.

V. Landlord/Tenant Initiatives

- Melissa and Kara have been approved to speak at the next meeting on February 10th.

VI. Lakewood Animal Shelter News and Updates – Jack Crawford

- Jack was not in attendance, but Celeste said the shelter remodel project is mostly complete. The front of house areas: ACO office and cat room are complete. They are working on the dogs areas.

VII. Past and Upcoming Animal Related Community Events

- CCLAS is holding their annual Hair of the Dog event at Around the Corner on May 14th
- Welcome to Lakewood on April 29th

VIII. Open Discussion

- Rebecca Austin asked if it would be possible for us to coordinate with places like PetSupplies Plus and their weekend clinics with our Spay / Neuter day to offer more things like micro-chipping and licensing. She also asked if possibly we could work with landlord’s to offer discounts on tenant deposits if their pets are micro-chipped and licensed. Rebecca said that she would be interested in a board appointment. She is a ward 2 resident.
- Jeremy asked how people could get information / notification of upcoming events, etc. Lakewood Alive is a good source for information. You can sign up to receive their email news where they post all city events.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015